

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A coil reel hold-down device, comprising:
  - a base plate operatively arranged to be secured to a floor;
  - a snubber arm pivotably mounted to said base plate and arranged for pivoting rotation about a pivot point, said snubber arm including a first section and a second section disposed at an obtuse angle with respect to one another; and,
    - a means for effecting a pivoting movement of said snubber arm relative to said base plate.
2. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said first section of said snubber arm is disposed proximate said base plate.
3. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 2 further including a snubber device mounted to said second section of said snubber arm.
4. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 3 wherein said snubber device comprises a wheel.
5. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 3 wherein said snubber device comprises a roller.
6. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 1 in which said means for effecting a pivoting movement of said snubber arm comprises a cylinder.
7. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 6 wherein said cylinder is pneumatically controlled.
- 20 8. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 6 wherein said cylinder is hydraulically controlled.

9. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said obtuse angle is approximately 120 degrees.

10. The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said first section has a first length and said second section has a second length wherein said first length is approximately three  
5 times said second length.

11. The coil reel hold down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said obtuse angle is in a range of about 100 to 130 degrees.

12. The coil reel hold down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said snubber arm is arranged to pivot about said pivot point through an angle in a range of approximately 25 to 40 degrees.

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